

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 1186  
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Licensing & Administrative Procedures  
Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

Interested parties contend that, when an investigation by the Texas Racing Commission occasionally reveals information about potential misconduct by a licensed veterinarian or a person beyond the racing commission's jurisdiction, the racing commission's staff currently is unable to share that information with the agency that has the appropriate regulatory authority. H.B. 1186 seeks to provide the racing commission with the necessary authority to notify the appropriate regulatory agency of conduct within the scope of that regulatory agency's jurisdiction.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

### **ANALYSIS**

H.B. 1186 amends the Texas Racing Act to authorize the Texas Racing Commission to share with another regulatory state agency any investigatory file information that creates a reasonable suspicion of a person's violation of a law or rule under that agency's jurisdiction. The bill authorizes such an agency to use the information as if it was obtained through that agency's investigatory process.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2013.